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FM AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4551

INFO AMEMBASSY PANAMA

UNCLAS SAN JOSE 2517

ALSO PASS TO FAS/USDA

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: APER, CS

SUBJECT: ASSIGNMENT OF AGRICULTURAL ATTACHE

REF: (A) DOBBINS/KALLEMEYIN TELECON OF JULY 12 (B) SAN JOSE 2445

1. POSSIBLE DELAYED ARRIVAL TO EARLY SEPTEMBER OF NEW AGATT RUDBECK CAUSES US MAJOR CONCERN BECAUSE OF UNTIMELINESS OF POSITION BEING VACANT. AGATT OFFICE FACES HEAVY REPORTING SCHEDULE (COFFEE, GRAINS, AND LIVESTOCK) NEXT FEW MONTHS FOR BOTH COSTA RICA AND PANAMA. NEW LOCAL ASSISTANT NOT YET ABLE TO HANDLE THIS REPORT AND NOT AUTHORIZED TRAVEL TO PANAMA. HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT ECONOMIC SECTION COULD COVER REPORTING ALSO BECAUSE OF CHANGES IN PERSONNEL.

2. EMBASSY ALSO FACED WITH HEAVIER REPORTING ON BANANA SITUATION BECAUSE OF CURRENT PROBLEMS IN THAT AREA (SEE SAN JOSE 2445). AGRI-ATT HAS BEEN MAJOR CONTRIBUTOR TO PREVIOUS BANANA REPORTS.

3. CURRENT EMBARGO SITUATION ON SOME U.S. COMMODITIES (MAINLY SOYBEAN MEAL) IS CURRENTLY CAUSING COSTA RICA'S AND PANAMA'S AGRI-BUSINESS SECTORS SERIOUS PROBLEMS. ABSENCE OF AGATT COULD JEOPARDIZE GOOD EMBASSY RELATIONS WITH THIS SECTOR.

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4. AMBASSADOR VAKY WILL BE IN WASHINGTON
BEGINNING JULY 16 AND WE RECOMMEND FAS/W DISCUSS
THIS PROBLEM WITH HIM BEFORE FINAL DECISION IS MADE.
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